

# David E. Peck Of College Dies In Texas

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Professor Emeritus At  
Grinnell Succumbs On  
March 19 While On Trip

David E. Peck, professor emeritus of violin from Grinnell College, died in Port Aransas, Texas, on Monday, March 19. Funeral services will be held in the Community church in Ogden on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Late in February Mr. and Mrs. Peck had driven to Texas for a visit in the homes of Dr. and Mrs. Kathison Peck, Lewis in Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Jare Peck, Harrell in Galveston. Last week they drove on to Port Aransas to spend some time on the Gulf beach. Death came unexpectedly as a result of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was 72 years old.

David Peck was a prominent figure in Grinnell music circles for many years. A graduate from the college in 1907, he early showed talent as a violinist and joined the music faculty here in 1908. The connection thus formed continued until he entered the emeritus relation in 1946, after a period of service extending over 38 years.

Mr. Peck not only possessed talent as a violinist, which was manifested in frequent recitals and public appearances, but he also supervised the men's glee club of the college over a long period of years. He possessed an excellent bass voice and was accustomed to sing with the club. Under his direction the organization developed into one of the finest glee clubs in the middle west and lived up to his slogan of providing "the music that surrounded them."

Mr. Peck married his classmate, Laura Jenkins, who survives with the two daughters. One son preceded him in death.

Following his retirement, Mr. and Mrs. Peck remained in Grinnell until September of 1933, when they moved to Ogden, Miss. Peck's old home, where they later made their home.